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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC (WHITFIELD, THOMAS H.)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE EXTRADITION OF THOMAS H. WHITFIELD

REF: A. LUSAKA 2109 B. LUSAKA 2681

1. YOU MAY INFORM THE GRZ THAT ACTIONS ALLEGEDLY COMMITTED BY WHITFIELD PER REFTEL APPARENTLY WOULD BE VIOLATIONS OF U.S. CRIMINAL LAW IF COMMITTED HERE. IT IS NOT NECESSARY FOR THE GRZ TO CITE U.S. LAW IN ORDER TO REQUEST EXTRADITION, MERELY TO SPECIFY AN OFFENSE LISTED IN ARTICLE II OF EXTRADITION TREATY.

2. SHOULD GRZ DESIRE TO REQUEST EXTRADITION, DOCUMENTATION SUPPORTING CHARGES (I.E. INDICTMENT, AFFIDAVITS, WARRANT OF ARREST, COPY OF ZAMBIAN LAWS VIOLATED, STATEMENT BY PROPER OFFICIAL THAT COPY IS AUTHENTIC, THAT LAW IS STILL IN FORCE, AND THAT PROSECUTION IS NOT BARRED BY STATUTE OF LIMITATION; AS WELL AS IDENTIFYING DATA, SUCH AS PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS, ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL MARKS) SHOULD BE PREPARED IN TRIPPLICATE, WITH ONE SET CERTIFIED BY U.S. AMBASSADOR OR CONSUL (SEE 11 FAM EXHIBIT 151.2; A-11799 OF DECEMBER 8, 1972).

3. DOCUMENTATION OF THIS TYPE OF CRIME SHOULD INCLUDE AUTHENTICATED COPIES OF DOCUMENTS USED TO PERPETRATE
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FRAUD, E.G. VOUCHERS, AND PROOF LINKING FUGITIVE TO THEIR

PREPARATION. ANY STATEMENT MADE BY OFFICIALS IN DOCUMENTATION SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY APPROPRIATE CERTIFICATION OF EACH OFFICIAL'S POSITION AND IDENTITY.

4. DOCUMENTATION SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO ZAMBIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON. EMBASSY WASHINGTON WILL MAKE FORMAL REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE TO DEPARTMENT AND DOCUMENTS CAN BE TRANSMITTED BY SAME NOTE.

5. IF ZAMBIA WISHES TO HAVE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT REPRESENT THEM, NOTE SHOULD STATE THAT ZAMBIA ON BASIS OF RECIPROCITY WILL REPRESENT USG IN ANY EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS IN ZAMBIA, AND SHOULD ALSO GIVE GRZ INFORMATION AS TO WHITFIELD'S WHEREABOUTS (FYI: NEWSPAPER INTERVIEW WITH WHITFIELD WAS PUBLISHED IN SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER ON NOVEMBER 5, AND PROTESTED BY GRZ EMBASSY IN LETTER TO PAPER; COPIES OF BOTH BEING POUCHED). KISSINGER

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